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C O N F I D E N T I A L KUALA LUMPUR 1001

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, PARM, UN, MY

SUBJECT: UN SPECIAL SESSION ON DISARMAMENT - MALAYSIAN POSITION

REF: STATE 26795

1. SUMMARY. GOM WILL SUPPORT UN SPECIAL SESSION ON  
DISARMAMENT AND HOPES FOR POSITIVE RESULTS. END SUMMARY.

2. GOM, AS ACTIVE MEMBER OF NAM, IS COMMITTED TO SUPPORT  
OF THE UN SPECIAL SESSIONS ON DISARMAMENT (SSOD). MALAYSIANS  
WILL BACK UNGA PRESIDENT, WHO THEY SUSPECT WILL BE YUGOSLAVIA,  
AS PRESIDENT OF THE SSOD, BELIEVING THAT THIS WILL  
HAVE MODERATING EFFECT ON SESSION. THEY ANTICIPATE SS  
WILL CONSIST OF PLENARY, AT WHICH FOREIGN MINISTERS WILL  
MAKE GENERALIZED STATEMENTS OF THEIR GOVERNMENTS' POSITIONS  
AND OF ONE OR TWO COMMITTEES THAT WILL MEET SIMULTANEOUSLY  
TO DISCUSS SPECIFIC ISSUES AND PREPARE A DECLARATION  
(AND/OR RESOLUTION). ISSUES WILL BE THOSE ALREADY  
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RAISED IN THE FIRST COMMITTEE AND MALAYSIANS ARE  
PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN THE QUESTION OF NUCLEAR  
FREE ZONES AND ZONES OF PEACE (ALTHOUGH MFA SEEMS  
DISINCLINED TO SPECIFICALLY SEEK ENDORSEMENT  
OF THE SOUTHEAST ASIAN ZONE OF PEACE, FREEDOM AND  
NEUTRALITY, POSSIBLE TO AVOID OPPOSITION FROM  
LAOS AND OTHER ALLIES OF THE SRV). MALAYSIANS

EXPECT A SLANGING MATCH BETWEEN THE PRC  
AND THE USSR AND OTHER RHETORICAL FLOURISHES TO  
INTRUDE INTO THE WORK OF THE SESSION BUT MFA  
OFFICIALS SAY THEY ARE OPTIMISTIC THAT GENUINE  
MOMENTUM WILL BE GENERATED LEADING TO  
POSITIVE RESULTS "LIKE THE OMNIBUS RESOLUTION OF  
THE 7TH SS." ONE OFFICIAL INDICATEDDD PREVIATELY  
TO EMBOFFS THAT HE EXPECTED PROBLEMS WITH CONTROLS ON  
CONVENTIONAL ARMS FROM THE ARABS, POSSIBLE  
TO SIGNAL THAT THE GOMM WOULD NOT WANT TO PRESS THE  
ARABLS SHOULD THEY BALK AT LIMITATIONS. IN THIS  
REGARD, HE INDICATED THAT MALAYSA WOULD "HAVE TO  
GO EASY" IF THE JAPANESE REINTRODUCE THEIR  
INITIATIVE ON CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS. MFA  
OFFICIALS ALSO SAY THEY ARE WARY OF RUSSIAN  
ATTEMPTS TO SECURE A WORLD DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE,  
TERMING THIS A "LAST RESORT" ALTHOUGH THE GOM IS  
"SOMEWHAT" COMMITTED TO THE CONCEPT THROUGH THE  
NAC. FINALLY, THE GOM IS SKEPTICAL OF SUGGESTIONS  
TO ESTABLISH ANY MACHINERY TO MONITOR DISARMAMENT  
PROGRESS, ONE OFFICIAL CLAIMING THAT THIS WOULD  
ONLY ADD TO THE BURDGEONING UN BUREAUCRACY.

3. IT APPEARS THAT FOREIGN MINISTER RITHAUDDEEN  
WILL HEAD ANY DELEGATION TO THE MAIN SSOD BUT THE  
REGUALR UN MISSION WILL BE HANDLING THE  
PREPARATORY CONFERENCE.  
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